

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Report on Agency Matching Activities

Calendar Year 2023

(Authority: 5 U.S.C. 552a (u)(3)(D))

a. Composition of Data Integrity Board (DIB):

(1) Name, address, and telephone number of DIB Secretary:

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(2) DIB Members:

Kurt D. DelBene	Assistant Secretary for Information and Technology and Chief Information Officer (January 1, 2022 – Present). Delegated to: John Oswald
John Oswald	Chief Privacy Officer (August 2022 – Present). Delegated by Kurt DelBene.
Joshua Jacobs	Under Secretary for Benefits, Veterans Benefits Administration (April 2023 - Present). Delegated to: Jocelyn Moses.
Shereef Elnahal	Under Secretary of Health, Veterans Health Administration (July 2022 – Present). Delegated to: Kamilah Jackson.
Michael J. Missal	Inspector General (May 2016-Present). Delegated to: Anuradha Amasa.
Jon J. Rychalski	Assistant Secretary for Management and Chief Financial Officer (December 2017-Present). Delegated to: Ronald Hallameyer.

(3) Changes in DIB membership or structure:

None, except the personnel noted in section (2) above.

(b) Computer Matching Activity for CY2023:

See table below.

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1	Credit Alert Verification Reporting System (CAIVRS)	Debt prevention. Prescreen loan applicants for CAIVRS.	HUD	VA/ OM-DMC	8/26/2020; DIB Approved and signed 9/30/2020	Renewal expires 12/23/2021	DIB approved 10/21/2021; signed 11/15/2021	Matching activity shut down and CMA allowed to expire					Young Gower
					CBA N/A (Renewal)	No Pub Cit (Renewal)	CBA n/a; VA is source						
2	Disability Comp for Recipients Who Return to Active Duty #87	Identify recipients of compensation benefits who return to active duty and ensure that benefits are terminated.	VBA	DOD	8/26/2020: DIB Approved and Signed	Expires December 2021	DIB approved 11/9/2021; signed 12/1/2021	12/9/2021; Expires July 2023			DIB: 6/29/2023; Signed: 6/29/2023	Expires July 2024	Allison Conn/ Eric Robinson
					CBA N/A (Renewal)	No Pub Cit (Renewal)	\$23.1M in savings	<u>86 FR 70162</u>		CBA N/A (Renewal)	No Pub Cit (Renewal)		
3	Eligibility for Montgomery GI Bill (Active Duty and Selected	Verify conditions of military service and eligibility	VA/VBA	DoD DMDC	8/26/2020; signed 9/10/2020	10/26/2020 Expires May 2022			DIB 4/18/2022; Signed 4/19/2022	Renewal Expires May 2023	DIB: 6/26/2023; Signed: 6/26/2023	7/7/2023 Expires February 2025	Salmio Garner

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	Reserve) and Post 9/11 GI Bill Benefits	criteria for payment of benefits under enacted programs. (Combined Post 9/11 & MGIB).			\$31.8M in savings	<u>85 FR 67814</u>			CBA N/A (Renewal)	No Pub Cit (Renewal)	\$25.2M in savings	<u>88 FR 43422</u>	
4	Eligibility for VA Benefits/MBR / Match 1030	Verify income information submitted by income dependent beneficiaries and to adjust their VA benefits.	VA/VBA	SSA		Pub 2/11/2020; Expires September 2021	DIB approved 7/8/2021; signed 8/10/2021	Renewal Expires 09/2022	DIB approved 5/18/2022; signed 5/19/2022	8/10/2022: Expires 03/2024			Jennifer Feuer / Dameon Cox
						<u>85 FR 7618</u>	CBA N/A (renewal)	No Pub Cit (Renewal)	CBA: \$47.7 million thru FY24	<u>87 FR 48776</u>			

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5	Eligibility of Incarcerated VA Beneficiaries	Identify beneficiaries receiving VA benefit payments and are incarcerated, and to suspend or reduce the benefit payment.	VBA	BOP	6/4/2020; signed 7/21/2020	8/24/2020	DIB approved 11/24/2021; signed 1/25/2022	Renewal; Expires April 2023			3/2/2023; signed 3/2/2023	3/10/2023 Expires October 2024	Allison Conn/ Eric Robinson
					CBA \$64M over 4 years	<u>85 FR 52195</u>	CBA N/A; Renewal	No Pub Cit (Renewal)			VA/VBA projects a net gain of \$67.2 million over four years	<u>88 FR 15122</u>	
6	Federal Student Aid Application (FAFSA)	Verify the status of applicants for financial assistance.	ED	VA/ VBA	5/6/2020; signed 5/8/2020	Renewal Expires Jul 2 2021	3/18/2021; signed 3/19/2021	5/6/2021; Expires January 2023	12/2/2022; signed 12/2/2022	Renewal Expires 1/2/2024	10/19/2023; signed 10/19 2023	11/24/2023 Expires June 2025	Allison Conn/ Eric Robinson
					CBA N/A (Renewal)	No Pub Cit (Renewal)	CBA: N/A, VA is Source agency	<u>86 FR 24394</u>	CBA N/A (Renewal)	No Pub Cit (Renewal)	CBA: VA is Source Agency	<u>88 FR 82342</u>	

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7	Individual Self-Certification of Eligibility for Prescription Drug Subsidy (#1309)	Provide SSA with information to verify an individual's self-certification for prescription drug subsidy assistance.	SSA	VA/ VBA	6/4/2020 Signed 6/5/2020	7/27/2020			DIB 1/27/2022; Signed 2/3/2022 CBA N/A (Renewal)	Renewal Expires March 2023 No Pub Cit (Renewal)	This CMA has been combined with CMA 1008 and will be allowed to expire		Allison Conn/ Eric Robinson
					CBA n/a VA is source	<u>85 FR 45291</u>			Re-establishment: DIB approved 10/18/2022 Re-establishment Cost-savings of approximately \$27,469 and costs of approximately \$136,860	12/14/2022 ; Expires 07/12/2024 87 FR 76532 https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2022-12-14/pdf/2022-12-14.pdf			

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8	Reserve Pay Reconciliation #89	Verify eligibility for DoD USCG Reservists who receive VA disability C&P also receive military pay during reserve duty.	VAV/VA	DoD DMDC	4/14/2020; Signed 4/16/2020	Renewal Expires May 11, 2021	04/23/2021; signed 04/27/2021	5/7/2021; Expires Dec 2022	8/10/2022; Signed 8/12/2022	Renewal Expires December 2023	10/25/2023; signed 10/25/2023	11/2/2023; CMA was not signed by DoD and has since expired	Allison Conn/ Eric Robinson
					CBA N/A; Renewal	No Pub Cit (Renewal)	\$589M benefit	<u>86 FR 24695</u>	CBA N/A; Renewal	No Pub Cit (Renewal)	\$1.3 billion savings from 2023-2026	<u>88 FR 75391</u>	
9	State Public Assistance Agencies (SPAAs) VBA	To provide the SPAAs with data to determine eligibility and ensure fair and equitable treatment in the delivery of benefits.	HHS/SPAAs	VA/ VBA	5/6/2020, signed 5/8/2020	6/4/2020 Expires 1/4/2022			DIB 1/27/2022; Signed 2/3/2022	Renewal Expires Feb 2023	1/27/2023, signed 1/27/2023	2/23/2023, Expires 9/23/2024	Allison Conn/ Eric Robinson
					CBA: N/A, VA is source	<u>85 FR 34451</u>			CBA N/A (Renewal)	No Pub Cit (Renewal)	CBA N/A, VA is source	<u>88 FR 11445</u>	

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10	Supplement Social Security Income (SSI) Eligibility Verification Match 1008	To identify SSI and SVB recipients who receive VA-administered benefits and identify income limits of certain individual to determine their potential eligibility for MSP.	SSA	VA/ VBA			Renewal: 02/17/2021; signed 02/18/2021 CBA n/a (Renewal with VA as source)	Renewal expires May 10, 2022 No Pub. Cit. (Renewal)		3/15/2022; Expires 10/14/2023	DIB: 6/29/2023; Signed: 6/29/2023	9/15/2023. Expires 4/15/2025	Allison Conn/ Eric Robinson
							Re-establishment: DIB approved 11/24/2021 Signed 12/20/2021 Re-establishment CBA \$23.1M.			<u>87 FR14607</u>	No CBA - VA is Source Agency	<u>88 FR 63639</u>	

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11	Verification of Income of Medical Care Applicants (DIFSLA) #066	To provide VHA with information for verifying eligibility for and/or the correct amount of, benefits for individuals for or receiving benefit payments.	HEC/VHA	IRS	6/17/2020; signed 7/9/2020	8/24/2020			DIB 4/18/2022; Signed 4/19/2022	Renewal Expires July 2023	3/10/2023, signed 3/10/2023	4/19/2023: Expires 10/19/2024	Lindsey Peace / Stacey Echols
					CBA \$17M	<u>85 FR 52194</u>			CBA N/A (Renewal)	No Pub Cit (Renewal)	VA/VHA projects a net gain of \$129,598,087	<u>88 FR 24278</u>	
12	Verification of Income Tax Returns- Match 1050	To provide VA with data from income tax return information disclosed to SSA to verify eligibility for VA benefit programs	VAV/BA	SSA	5/26/2020; signed 7/21/2020	8/17/2020 Expires March 14, 2022			DIB 1/27/2022; Vote on 1/27/2022	Signed: 3/14/2022 Renewal expires 3/15/2023	1/9/2023; signed 1/9/2023	2/7/2023: Expires 9/6/2024	Allison Conn/ Eric Robinson
					CBA \$55M	<u>85 FR 50069</u>			CBA N/A (Renewal)	No Pub Cit (Renewal)	CBA \$38.2M	<u>88 FR 8048</u>	

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13	Verify Eligibility for Health Benefits Program Match #1052	To provide VA with data from income tax return information disclosed to SSA to verify eligibility for Health Benefits program.	VHA	SSA	10/7/2020 Vote on 10/8/2020 Signed 10/13/2020	10/28/2020 Expires May 2022			3/11/2022 Vote on 3/11/2022	Signed 3/15/2022 Renewal Expires 5/28/2023	1/23/2023, Signed 1/24/2023	3/3/2023, Expires October 2024	Lindsey Peace / Stacey Echols
					CBA \$15.8M in savings	<u>85 FR 68419</u>			CBA N/A (Renewal)	No Pub Cit (Renewal)	CBA: Net loss of \$8.3 million	<u>88 FR 13516</u>	
14	Verify Unearned Income Information (DIFSLA)	To verify the amount of unearned income reported to IRS by VA recipients, adjust or terminate benefits and collect overpayments	VAV/BA	IRS	8/26/2020; Signed 9/11/2020	11/17/2020 Expires June 2022			5/18/2022	Signed 5/19/2022 Expires 6/30/2023	5/4/2023, Signed 5/4/2023	5/16/2023, Expires December 2024	Allison Conn / Eric Robinson
					CBA \$52.6M	<u>85 FR 73356</u>			CBA N/A (Renewal)	No Pub Cit (Renewal)	CBA \$16.2M in savings	<u>88 FR 31310</u>	

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15	Federal Student Loan Forgiveness	Loan forgiveness program for total and permanently disabled Veterans with student loan debt	ED	VAVBA	4/14/2020; Signed 4/16/2020	Renewal Expires 5/8/2021	03/18/2021; signed 03/10/2021	4/29/2021; Expires 11/29/2022	8/10/2022; Signed 8/12/2022	Renewal Expires 11/30/2023	10/5/2023, Signed 10/5/2023	10/30/2023, Expires 5/30/2025	Allison Conn / Eric Robinson
					CBA N/A; Renewal	No Pub Cit (Renewal)	CBA not required - VA is Source Agency	<u>86 FR 22640</u>	CBA N/A; Renewal	No Pub Cit (Renewal)	CBA not required - VA is Source Agency	<u>88 FR 74162</u>	
16	Determination of Eligibility under ACA (HHS match 2304)	To make initial eligibility determinations for APTC and CSRs in CMS' capacity as FFE.	HHS/CMS	VA/ VHA HEC	11/20/2020; Signed 11/20/2020			3/25/2021; expires November 2022	8/22/2022; Signed 8/23/2022	Expires November 2023	4/20/2023, Signed 4/20/2023	9/11/2023, expires April 2025	Lindsey Peace / Stacey Echols
					CBA n/a; VA is source			<u>86 FR 15942</u>	CBA N/A (Renewal)	No Pub Cit (Renewal)	CBA n/a; VA is source	<u>88 FR 62376</u>	
17	Disclosure of Information to Support the Veteran Affairs' Seek to Prevent	To provide data from CMS' database of enrolled Medicare	VA/VHA	HHS/CMS			2/17/2021 / Signed 2/19/2021	Renewal Expires May 1, 2022	DIB 2/17/2022 Signed 2/17/2022	4/1/2022 Expires Nov 2023	DIB: 6/26/2023; Signed: 6/26/2023	Renewal: Expires November 1, 2024	Tamara Friday

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	Fraud, Waste and Abuse Initiative (Stop FWA VA CMS CMA)	supplier and providers (PECOS) to check suitability of Medicare providers.					CBA N/A (Renewal)	No Pub. Cit. (Renewal)	CBA \$447,300	<u>87FR19177</u>	CBA N/A (Renewal)	No Pub. Cit. (Renewal)	
18	Do Not Pay (DNP) 6/4/2021	To determine whether an individual or entity is eligible to	VA	Department of the			DIB approved 6/4/2021; Signed 6/7/2021	7/21/2021 Expires 09/12/2024					Deea Lacey

		receive federal payments, contract awards, or other benefits, including reducing duplicate payments to vendors and beneficiaries, verifying that beneficiaries submitting claims are not deceased, collecting debt owed to federal or state governments, and suspending or revoking payments as needed.					CBA: time savings benefit	<u>86 FR 38531</u>					
19	Do Not Pay (DNP) 6/13/2022	"To establish the conditions, safeguards, and procedures	VA/DAS	Department of the Treasury/DNP					DIB approved 6/13/2022; Signed 6/17/2022	9/19/2022 Expires 10/19/2025			Deea Lacey

under which the VA, DAS will conduct a matching program with the Department of Treasury Bureau to assist DAS in identifying providers and suppliers from Treasury's

Do Not Pay (DNP) Working System. DAS objective is to assist VA programs in identifying

potential high-risk payees. DAS will build tools to assist VA in preventing potential fraud or abuse

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		of the financial payment systems across the VA. The match results will allow DAS to provide insights and/or make recommendations to VA programs."											
20	Lifeline and Other Federal Connectivity	To comply with the Computer Matching and	FCC/USAC	VA					8/22/2022; Signed 8/23/2022	10/7/2022 Expires 5/7/2024			James Costa

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	Benefit Programs	Privacy Protection Act of 1988 (CMPPA), Public Law 100-503, 102 Stat. 2507 (1988)							No CBA - VA is Source Agency	<u>87 FR 61015</u>			
21	SBA VA CMA	The purpose of this Agreement is to disclose VA	SBA	VA					11/18/2022; Signed 11/18/2022	12/15/2022 Expires 7/15/2024			Janet Courtinho

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		records about veteran status to SBA so that SBA can determine eligibility of applicants to the Veterans Small Business Certification Program (VSBC).							No CBA - VA is Source Agency	<u>87 FR 76658</u>			

b. Computer Matching Activity for CY2023 (continued)

(1) The Department of Veterans Affairs has fully adhered to the terms of each of the matching agreements.

(2) All of the disclosures of VA's records for use in the matching programs continue to be justified.

c. Cost-benefit Analysis Waivers:

(1) The cost-benefit analyses (CBA) performed for each of the agreements in which VA is the recipient agency resulted in favorable ratios. For the following agreements, a 12-month renewal was executed and therefore did not require a CBA:

- # 2 Disability Compensation for Recipients Who Return to Active Duty #87
- # 17 Disclosure of Information to Support the Veteran Affairs' Seek to Prevent Fraud, Waste and Abuse Initiative (Stop FWA VA CMS CMA)

(2) For the following programs, VA was the source agency and therefore was not responsible for performing a cost-benefit analysis:

- # 6 Federal Student Aid Application (FAFSA)
- # 9 State Public Assistance Agencies (SPAAs) VBA
- # 10 Supplement Social Security Income (SSI) Eligibility Verification Match 1008
- # 15 Federal Student Loan Forgiveness
- # 16 Determination of Eligibility under ACA (HHS match 2103)

d. DIB Disapprovals:

A description of any matching agreement the DIB disapproved and the reasons for the disapproval.

None

e. Violations:

A description of any violations of matching agreements that have been alleged or identified, and a discussion of any action taken in response.

None